## TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



## FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 3 - SB 12

February 4, 2019

**SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL:** Requires a court to inform a relative caregiver that resources and funding may be available through the Department of Children's Services (DCS) each time an order granting custody or guardianship of a child to a relative caregiver is issued. Requires DCS and the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) to distribute resource information to courts that issue orders regarding child custody or guardianship. Allows resource information to be distributed by electronic means.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

**NOT SIGNIFICANT** 

**SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (003327):** Deletes and rewrites all language after the enacting clause without making any substantive changes to the legislation.

## FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Based on information provided by the AOC, any fiscal impact to the court in distributing required resource information would be absorbed within the existing judicial resources.
- No significant increase in the number of relative caregivers that utilize existing funding sources is anticipated; therefore, no significant impact to state or federal expenditures.
- Passage of this legislation will have no effect on policies or procedures of the DCS; therefore, any fiscal impact to DCS is not significant.

## **CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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